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LETTER DATED 8 NOVEMBER 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Pursuant to the letters of 15 October 1992 (S/24675, annex) and 20 October 1992 (S/24703, annex) from the Presidency of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina and my letters of 23 October 1992 (S/24709), 25 October 1992 (S/24717), 28 October 1992 (S/24734) and 2 November 1992 (S/24750) to the President of the Security Council with respect to gross violations of Security Council resolution 781 (1992), and,

Considering additional information that on the morning of Saturday, 7 November 1992, the towns of Gradacac and Maglaj came under severe and damaging attacks from the aggressor, who used helicopters of the type "Gazelle" and "Mi-8".

In addition to shelling from ground forces, the civilians of the two towns endured heavy machine-gun and rocket fire from Yugoslav People's Army helicopters, which were also used to transport ammunition and troops.

Furthermore, noting that the continuing attacks on the two towns and others in the Tuzla region are part of a blatant attempt on the part of the aggressor to seize and isolate one of the few pieces of land still under the authority of the legitimate Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and that,

During this siege of the Tuzla region, Tuzla military authorities estimate that the aggressor uses the same amount of ammunition in one day as the government forces are able to use in a month, and given that,

The desperation of the people in Tuzla is compounded by the lack of humanitarian aid directed towards them,

The Presidency of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina requests that the Security Council consider urgently all appropriate measures called for by resolutions 770 (1992) and 781 (1992).

May I ask for your kind assistance in circulating this letter as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Muhamed SACIRBEY
Ambassador and Permanent Representative